1792(117) Watson Road Use Permit Applic EA #OR110-02-02

Dear Interested Citizen:

The Grants Pass Resource Area, Medford District of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has completed an environmental assessment (EA) evaluating an right-of-way and road use application. The right-of-way grant would permit the construction of approximately 200 feet of road across BLM administered land in T.38S., R. 5W., Section 33 WM., approximately two miles west of the Williams. A right-of-way grant would provide the applicant and adjacent landowner access to his property.

Our January 11, 2002 letter informing landowners near the project site included a map that apparently created some confusion regarding the location of the proposed right-of-way. Consequently, we have extended the comment period to close on April 12, 2002. A map that more clearly indicates the proposed project area is enclosed.

We have also place the EA on the Medford District's web site (www.or.blm.gov/Medford) under planning documents / environmental assessments. If you do not have internet access and you would like to receive a paper copy of the EA, we will be happy to send you one upon request.

Should you have questions about the project that are not addressed in the EA, please contact Jim Roper, our Resource Area Engineer, at (541) 471-6979 or by email at Jim_Roper@blm.gov. If you would like to comment on the EA, please send them to me at the above address or e-mail them to us at or110mb@or.blm.gov. As I make a decision regarding the application, I will consider all comments received. Comments that clearly articulate site specific issues or impacts are most useful.

If you would like to comment but confidentiality is of concern to you, you may request that we withhold your name and / or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act. Please state this clearly at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All comments received from organizations or officials of organizations or businesses will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

We appreciate your interest and involvement in this project and thank you for your continuing interest in the resource management activities of the BLM and the Grants Pass Resource Area.

Sincerely,

Abbie Jossie Field Manager

Grants Pass Resource Area

Enclosure: Project Vicinity Map

